

## ROCKEFELLER WITH FRICK IN FIGHT ON CARNEGIE.

Combination of Immense Wealth Will Erect Four Mills in an Effort to Crush "the Steel King."

Absolute Control of the Coke Interests, as Well as Lake Ore Carrying Lines, in Rockefeller Hands.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 11.—The alliance of Henry C. Frick and John D. Rockefeller to fight Andrew Carnegie is fraught with great importance to the iron and steel industries of the United States. It is possible that when Mr. Carnegie forced Henry C. Frick out of the Carnegie Steel Company he underestimated the amount of capital his former general manager could control. It is now apparent that Mr. Frick has as much, if not more, money behind him than the steel king, and that if the present plans are carried out he can practically smother Mr. Carnegie as a competitive factor in the iron and steel market.

In the first place, Mr. Frick, who is a man of indomitable energy, has laid plans of stupendous character. The United Steel Company, of which he is the head, is capitalized at \$10,000,000, but this is only a fraction of what is to be invested of present plans are carried out as contemplated. It is barely possible that Mr. Carnegie, who is already seriously alarmed, may back down from his demand for \$125,000,000 for his share in the Carnegie Steel Company. If he concludes to stay in and fight he will have a powerful competitor.

**Four Immense Mills.**  
The new company contemplates the erection of four immense steel plants, with the necessary blast furnaces, each with a capacity of at least 700,000 tons of pig iron a day. One of these plants is to be in the vicinity of Pittsburgh, one in the vicinity of Chicago, one in or near Superior, Wis., and the other at some point along the Atlantic seaboard. The expectation is that all of these plants will be turning out steel by 1901.

Options have already been obtained on three sites for the three plants at which are within forty miles of this city. This plant is designed to care for the Pittsburgh trade and will have the advantage of being near the coal and coke supply. The Chicago plant is designed to care for the trade of the middle West, the Superior plant to take advantage of the proximity of the ore supply, and the Atlantic seaboard plant to care for European trade.

Not only has Mr. Carnegie reason to be alarmed at the vigorous movements of the Frick-Rockefeller combine, but the Bethlehem, Federal and other steel concerns are alarmed at the planning of the stupendous projects with alarm. If Mr. Carnegie continues to hold out for the high price he demands for his interests it will not be because pressure will be brought to bear on him otherwise.

Steel manufacturers concede that Mr. Frick has by far the best of the situation up to this time. Primarily his stock in the Carnegie Steel Company is not tied up like the stock of Carnegie. It is said, when Mr. Carnegie proposed to have it put in such shape that he could take it with him when he retired—and it is known that he did not expect to remain with the Carnegie Company all his life.

**From Different View Points.**  
According to Mr. Carnegie's standing, under which he deems that his little more than half interest in the Carnegie Company has grown from \$13,000,000, which it is now worth \$100,000,000, which he asks for it, Mr. Frick assumes that his stock, which cost him \$3,000,000 is worth about \$25,000,000. Mr. Carnegie has been unable to see it that way.

Mr. Frick owns a controlling interest in the H. C. Frick Coke Company, in which the Rockefeller are also interested. John D. Rockefeller owns a controlling interest in the lake shipping lines that carry the new product from the Lake Superior mines to the mills in Pennsylvania. With these two interests combined, Mr. Carnegie would be compelled to do some hard work for his ore and coke.

It has been generally supposed that he owned the controlling interest in the Pittsburgh, Bessemer & Lake Erie Railroad, over which he brings ore from the Lakes to Braddock. He was the prime mover in the construction of the connecting links of the road in order, as he said at the time, to haul his own ore and be free of the oppressive freight rates of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

As a matter of fact, the railroad is controlled by the Frick-Rockefeller interests, and if the Frick-Rockefeller combine has the power that it is designed to become, Mr. Carnegie will be compelled to fall back on his old enemy, the Pennsylvania Railroad, for ore-hauling facilities.

**ROCKEFELLER'S LEATHER WENT UP ON A LOW MARKET.**  
Manipulation of the Stock Was Evident Early in the Street Yesterday.

Manipulation of Leather common, in which John D. Rockefeller, Jr., is interested, once from choice, now from necessity, was very much in evidence in the stock market yesterday.

In the face of general declines the speculative football not only held steady when other similar shares were tumbling during the early part of the session, but the moment the pressure was removed from the securities started from 11½ to the low price, and rose steadily to 14½, at which it closed. This rise was the only important one in the market.

As young Rockefeller is trying to sell the heavy load of leather common which he is carrying no better tactics could be pursued than holding it up in the face of a falling market. There was talk of a loan from the National City Bank.

Young Rockefeller spent a pleasant day. He arrived at the Standard Oil Building before the opening of the stock market, and was quickly in touch with his brokers by telephone. He did not worry. His father, with his many millions, had agreed to see him through.

The younger Gould, Vanderbilt and Leiter had been in similar positions before and except in the case of the latter, all had been pulled through without loss of money.

**PUSHING NEW YORK'S BOOM FOR NATIONAL CONVENTION**

The Committee on Ways and Means of the Board of Trade and Transportation held a meeting yesterday in the rooms of the Board to decide on definite plans for booming New York for the Republican National Convention. Among those present were: Lieutenant Governor Timothy L. Woodruff, General E. A. McAlpin, L. G. Woodruff and Lewis Nixon.

Those who will leave in flight for Washington are: General Howard Carroll, General W. C. Walker, Colonel Jayn W. Woodruff, General C. H. T. Colby, William F. Wakeman, George H. Ridwell, Leonard E. Quigg, Job E. Hughes, R. A. D. Smith, E. B. Thacher, Joel B. Edwards, T. D. K. Gibbs, James H. Broadin, Simon Ford, General Henry F. Thompson, Walter B. Artberg and Colonel William Scott Proctor.

## HOPE FOR VICTIM OF STUDENT.



Student Who Shot a Cyclist.

Walter Rosser, whose picture is shown above, is a young medical student, who shot Fred S. Slater at the Garden. Rosser was once acquitted of murder.

Slater, Who Was Shot by Rosser at the Six-Day Bicycle Race, Has an Even Chance for Life—Plea of Self-Defence.

The had habit of carrying a gun and the consequent temptation to use it have placed young Walter Rosser in danger of liberty and possibly of life. Fred S. Slater, who was shot down by Rosser at the Madison Square Garden on Saturday night, is still alive at Bellevue Hospital.

The bullet has not been taken from his right lung, and the X rays will be used today if Slater's condition will permit. It was said yesterday that he had an even chance for life.

Rosser is a student for physiologists. He is a bright young fellow, high strung and nervous. He comes from an excellent family in Stevenson, Ala. All surroundings should have taught him the value of an exemplary life, and yet with the experience of one trial for murder he continued to travel with a gun in his pocket.

The young man's friends are as true as steel to him, though they are more than anxious that their names be kept out of all connection with the case. It is said

that his personality is something akin to magnetic when his mind is in normal condition.

On the other hand, even his friends say he is dangerous and unbalanced when in liquor and has had many difficulties. In the police court Sunday he said that he had been drinking heavily before the attack upon Slater.

Rosser's lawyer, Mark Alter, said yesterday that Rosser was the man who shot and killed Henry Hildebrand in San Francisco in September, 1898. Rosser was acquitted on the ground of insanity, though the verdict doubtless was largely the result of sympathy for his aged father, who died not long afterward of nervous collapse.

The friends of Rosser visited Alter yesterday and said that money would not be lacking to secure his release. The plea of self-defence will be offered. The young man's mother is on her way to New York. Rosser will be arraigned again to-day. If a favorable report of Slater's condition is received, Rosser will demand the return upon bail on a charge of assault in the first degree. If this is refused an effort will be made to secure his release upon a writ of habeas corpus.

## GAYNOR FOILED BY FEW TROOPS AT JOURNAL EXPOSE. TAYLOR INAUGURAL

Contract with Alleged Simple Plans for the In-Carter Co-Conspirator duction of Kentucky's Is Annulled. Governor.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The contract which was authorized to be made by the Engineer Department with Ed. H. Gaynor for Government work in the St. John's River has been cancelled.

The Journal published exclusively the statement that the Engineer Department had instructed Colonel McKinstry, in charge of the St. Augustine district, to make a contract with Ed. H. Gaynor, one of the Atlantic Contracting Company, alleged co-conspirators with Captain Oberlin M. Carter.

The Journal referred its discovery to the Engineer Department. Colonel McKinstry, assistant to General Wilson, said in explanation that the department did not at all ways know the persons to whom contracts were awarded, and that there were so many business connections that it was possible that persons could obtain contracts who ordinarily would not be entitled to them.

These facts were published some months ago by the Journal. The Engineer Department on the strength of the expose, went to work to clear its skirts. It referred the matter to the Department of Justice. As a consequence, when the formal contract came back to the Engineer Department it was disapproved on the recommendation of the Department of Justice. The contract was cancelled and awarded to D. J. Ross, of Jacksonville.

The connection of the Engineer Department with contracts made since the conviction of Captain Carter, is in part the subject of a resolution offered in the House to-day by the De Graffenried, of Texas. Mr. De Graffenried's resolution recites that it is reported that parties implicated with Carter have received contracts from the Government, and asks for a full statement from the Secretary of War and the Attorney-General as to what steps have been taken to punish the co-conspirators of Carter, and to secure a refund of the money embezzled.

**CARTER'S ACCOMPLICES UNDER INDICTMENT.**  
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Savannah, Ga., Dec. 11.—The United States Grand Jury has in its present session returned six indictments against persons charged with conspiring against the Government in connection with the work done in Savannah harbor. They are former Captain Oberlin M. Carter, D. H. Green, John F. Gaynor, Edward H. Gaynor, William T. Gaynor and Michael A. Connelly.

The amount which the conspirators fraudulently secured, according to the indictments, was \$574,740.

**ALL RECORDS SMASHED!**

Last Sunday's Journal contained 10,685 lines of "Want" Ads., which is a gain of 5,229 lines over same Sunday last year.

## PECKS OF "JEWELS" WERE---CARAMELS!

But There Was Enough Telegraphing to Float a Syndicate.

The following "rush" messages would seem to require no explanation:

To Stationmaster Grand Central Station.  
Two women boarding train with terrier dog had fight with him because he didn't want to go along. In excitement left a dress suit case full of diamonds on platform. Both in hysterics. Train in upset. Please find jewelry. Diamonds cost \$500,000.

CONDUCTOR, Pan-American Express.  
Filed One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street.

To Stationmaster, Grand Central.  
Have you found that diamond bag? Women making great fuss. Dog barking. Every one indignant. Riot imminent. Interests of road seriously affected. Have snuffing salts put aboard at Schenectady. Diamonds cost \$100,000.

CONDUCTOR, Pan-American Express.  
Filed Albany.

To Stationmaster, Grand Central.  
Women snuffing for their diamonds. Train crew demoralized and respectfully tender resignations. Passengers threaten to get out and walk. Diamonds worth \$200,000.

CONDUCTOR, Pan-American Express.  
Filed Schenectady.

To Stationmaster, Grand Central.  
Women have sicked dog on me. Train crew hiding in baggage car. Public snuffing under seats. Terrible scenes. Snuffing must be done. Diamonds valued at \$300,000. Pecks of them.

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